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SUBJECT: Statement of Administration Policy on H.R. 1495, "Arms Control Authorizing Act of 1989."

The Office of Management and Budget requests the views of your agency on the above subject before advising on its relationship to the program of the President, in accordance with OMB Circular A-19.

A response to this request for your views is needed no later than WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 1989.

Questions should be referred to Annette Rooney/Sue Thau (395-7300) the legislative analyst in this office.

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(House)

H.R. 1495 - Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (ACDA)
Authorization of Appropriation for FYs 1990 and 1991
(Fascell (D) Florida and 12 others)

The Administration opposes House passage of H.R. 1495, unless the bill is amended to:

-- Reduce ACDA's appropriation authorization level to \$33.9 million for FY 1990 and "such sums as may be necessary" for FY 1991, consistent with the Administration's request.

-- Delete the following provisions:

- o Section 102, which requires the ACDA Director to study the advisability of establishing an Arms Control Implementation and Compliance Resolution Bureau;
- o Section 103, which requires the President to establish an Arms Control Verification Working Group; and
- o Title II, which fixes in statute the policy and management structure relating to managing the On-Site Inspection Agency (OSIA).

These provisions are unnecessary because there is Executive authority to reorganize ACDA and OSIA so as to effectively carry out arms control activities. Such statutory requirements would infringe on the President's responsibility to organize the Executive branch and preempt the President's current national security review.